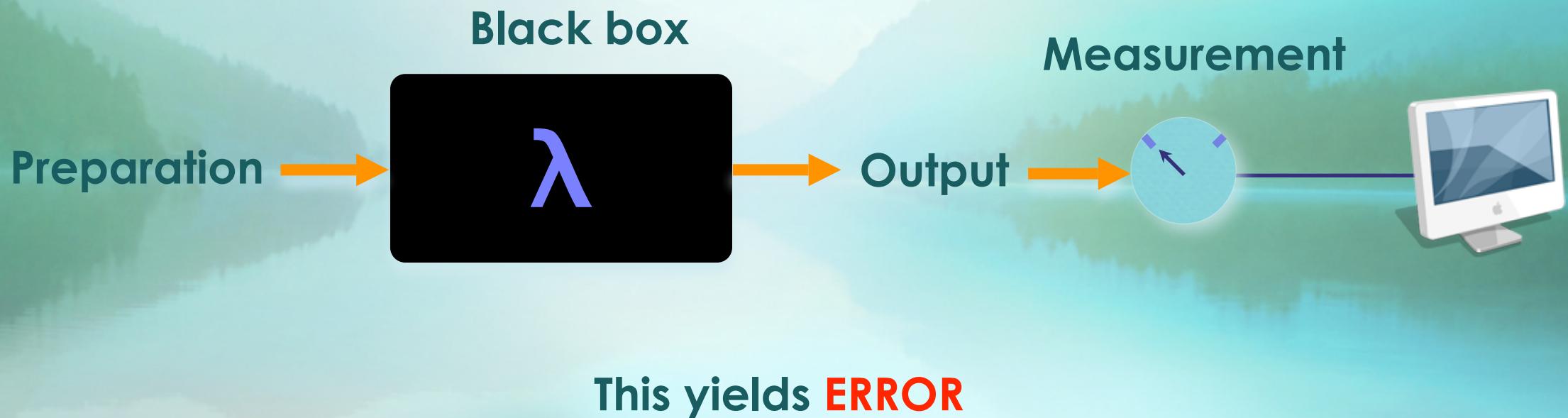


Quantum Metrology

in open quantum systems

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Parameter estimation



classical estimation

unbiased estimator: $\langle E(x_1, \dots, x_N) \rangle_\lambda = \lambda$

$$\Delta E = E(x_1, \dots, x_N) - \langle E(x_1, \dots, x_N) \rangle_\lambda$$

$$\partial_{x_i} \langle \Delta E(x_1, \dots, x_N) \rangle_\lambda = 0$$

$$\langle \partial_\lambda E \rangle_\lambda = \sum_{i=1}^N \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Delta E \partial_\lambda p(x_1, \dots, x_N | \lambda) \frac{\partial_\lambda p(x_i | \lambda)}{p(x_i | \lambda)} dx_1 \dots dx_N$$

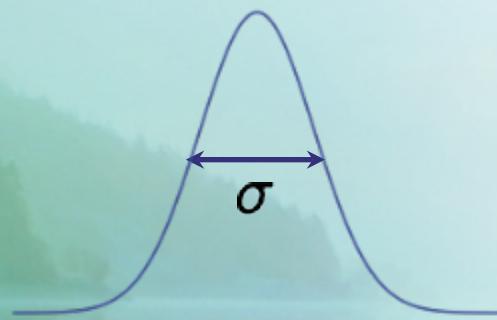
using Cauchy-Schwarz's inequality

$$\sqrt{\frac{\langle (\Delta E)^2 \rangle}{|\langle \partial_\lambda \langle E \rangle_\lambda \rangle|^2}} \geq 1 / \sqrt{NF(\lambda)}$$

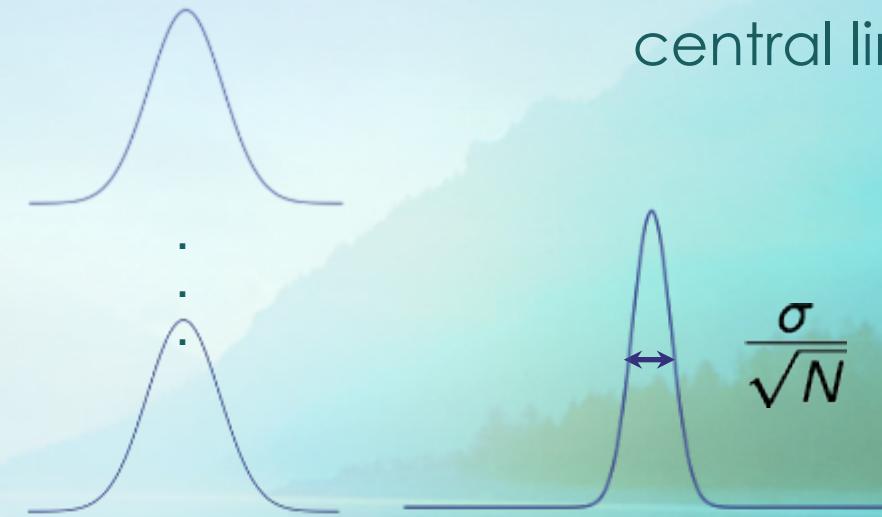
Cramer-Rao inequality

$$F(\lambda) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{p(x | \lambda)} (\partial_x p(x | \lambda))^2 dx \quad \text{Fisher information}$$

classical estimation



repetition of experiments



central limit theorem

estimator: mean value of the measurement outcomes

quantum estimation

probability of the outcome x :

$$p(x|\lambda) = \text{Tr}[\Pi_x \varrho(\lambda)]$$

quantum Fisher information:
[independent of measurements]

$$F^{(Q)}(\lambda, N)$$

**quantum Cramer-Rao
inequality**

$$\delta\lambda \geq 1/\sqrt{F^{(Q)}(\lambda, N)}$$

symmetric logarithmic derivative (SLD) $(1/2)[L_\lambda \varrho(\lambda) + \varrho(\lambda)L_\lambda] = \partial_\lambda \varrho(\lambda)$

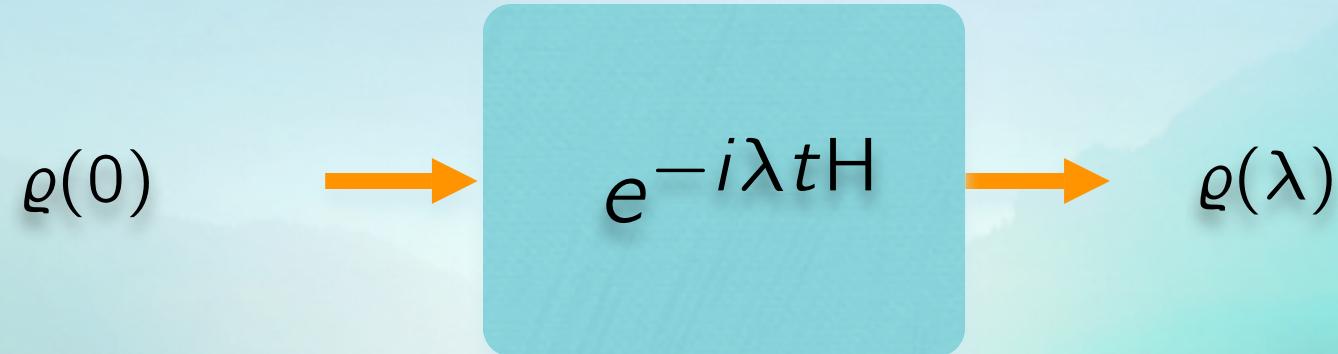
for pure states

$$L_\lambda = 2\partial_\lambda \varrho(\lambda)$$

QFI

$$F^{(Q)} = \text{Tr}[\varrho(\lambda)L_\lambda^2]$$

quantum estimation in **closed** systems



$$H(\lambda) = \lambda H$$

$$\partial_\lambda \varrho(\lambda) = -it[H, \varrho(\lambda)]$$

$$F^{(Q)} \leq 4t^2(\Delta H)^2 \equiv 4t^2 \text{Cov}_\varrho(H, H)$$

$$\Delta \lambda \geq 1/(2t\Delta H)$$

quantum estimation in closed systems

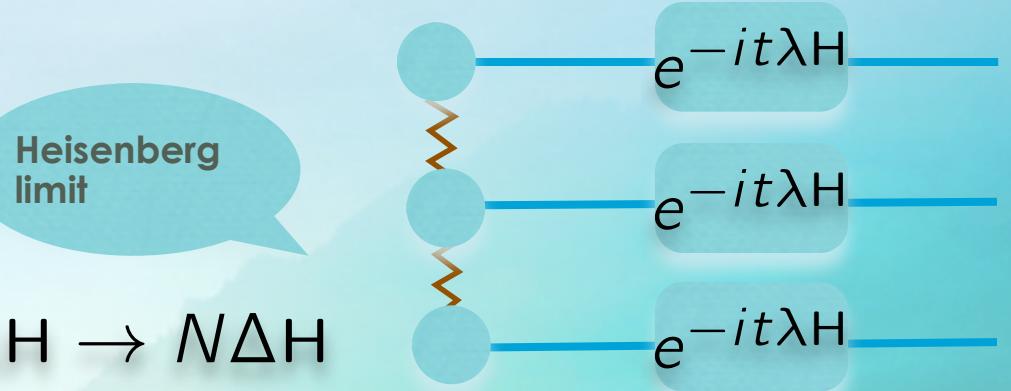
entanglement

[V. Giovannetti, S. Lloyd, and L. Maccone, PRL (2006)]

k -body interaction

$$\mathcal{H} = \lambda \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k} h_{i_1, \dots, i_k}$$

[Boixo et al., PRL (2007)]



Heisenberg
limit

$$\Delta H \rightarrow N \Delta H$$

beyond the
Heisenberg
limit

$$\Delta H \rightarrow N^k \Delta H$$

calculation of QFI is difficult for mixed states

approaches:

- purification with an ancilla [Escher et al., Nature Physics (2011)]
- purification with vectorization [[SA](#), M. Mehboudi, and A. T. Rezakhani, PRL (2014)]
[F. Benatti, [SA](#), and A.T. Rezakhani, New J. Phys. (2014)]
- extending the definition of SLD to non-Hermitian domain
- calculating QFI in terms of the QFI of compatible decompositions
- ... [[SA](#), arXiv:1403.8033]

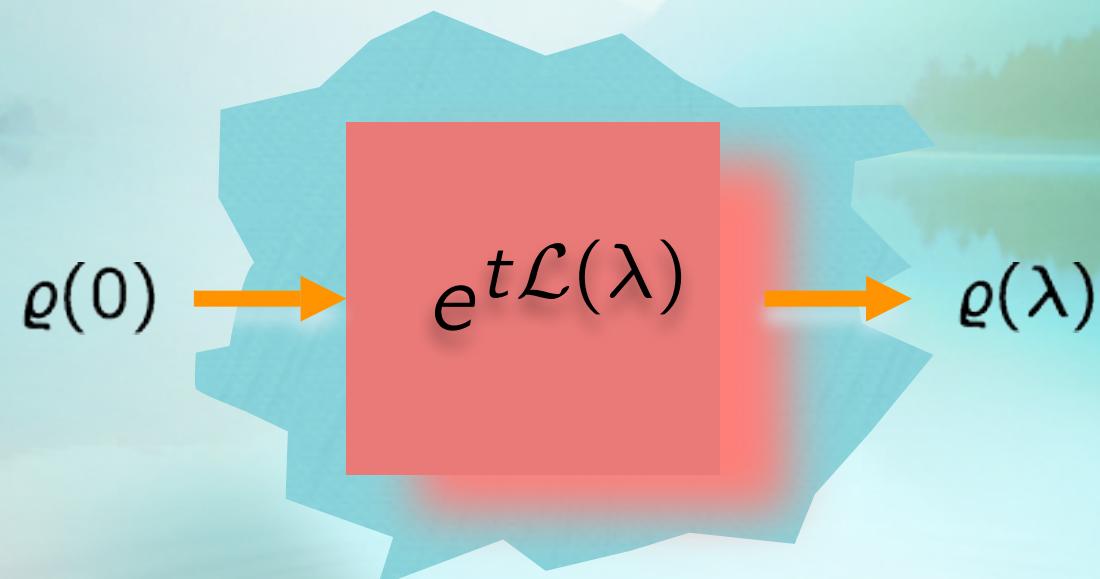
general dynamics:

$$\varrho(t, \lambda) = \sum_i A_i(t, \lambda) \varrho(0) A_i^\dagger(t, \lambda)$$

Kraus representation

dynamics with a generator:

$$\varrho(t, \lambda) = e^{t\mathcal{L}(\lambda)}[\varrho(0)]$$



purification with an ancilla

$$\mathcal{F}^{(Q)} = 4 \min_{\{A_i\}} (\langle H_1 \rangle_{\rho_0} - \langle H_1 \rangle_{\rho_0}^2)$$

$$H_1 = \sum_i \partial_\lambda A_i^\dagger \partial_\lambda A_i$$
$$H_2 = i \sum_i A_i^\dagger \partial_\lambda A_i$$

- **for any set of Kraus operators one may find an **UPPER** bound on QFI**
- **the bound is achievable, but it needs optimization**

[Escher et al., Nature Physics (2011)]

dissipative Cramer-Rao bound (in terms of generator)

for simplification:

$$\mathcal{L}(\lambda) = \lambda \mathsf{L}$$

vectorization:

$$|\varrho(t, \lambda)\rangle\rangle = e^{t\tilde{\mathcal{L}}(\lambda)}|\varrho(0)\rangle\rangle$$

normalized pure state

$$\tilde{\varrho}(t; \lambda) = |\varrho(t; \lambda)\rangle\rangle \langle\langle \varrho(t; \lambda)| / \text{Tr}[\varrho^2(t; \lambda)]$$

SLD:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{L}}_\lambda = 2\partial_\lambda \tilde{\varrho}$$

generalized QFI:

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}} = 4t^2 \text{Cov}_{\tilde{\varrho}}[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^\dagger, \tilde{\mathcal{L}}]$$

$$\delta\lambda \propto 1/\Delta H$$

$$\text{error} \propto 1/\Delta \text{generator}$$

$$\text{Cov}_{\tilde{\varrho}}[\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^\dagger, \tilde{\mathcal{L}}] = \text{Tr}[\tilde{\varrho}\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^\dagger\tilde{\mathcal{L}}] - \text{Tr}[\tilde{\varrho}\tilde{\mathcal{L}}^\dagger]\text{Tr}[\tilde{\varrho}\tilde{\mathcal{L}}]$$

how dose the generalized QFI relate to the QFI of the system?

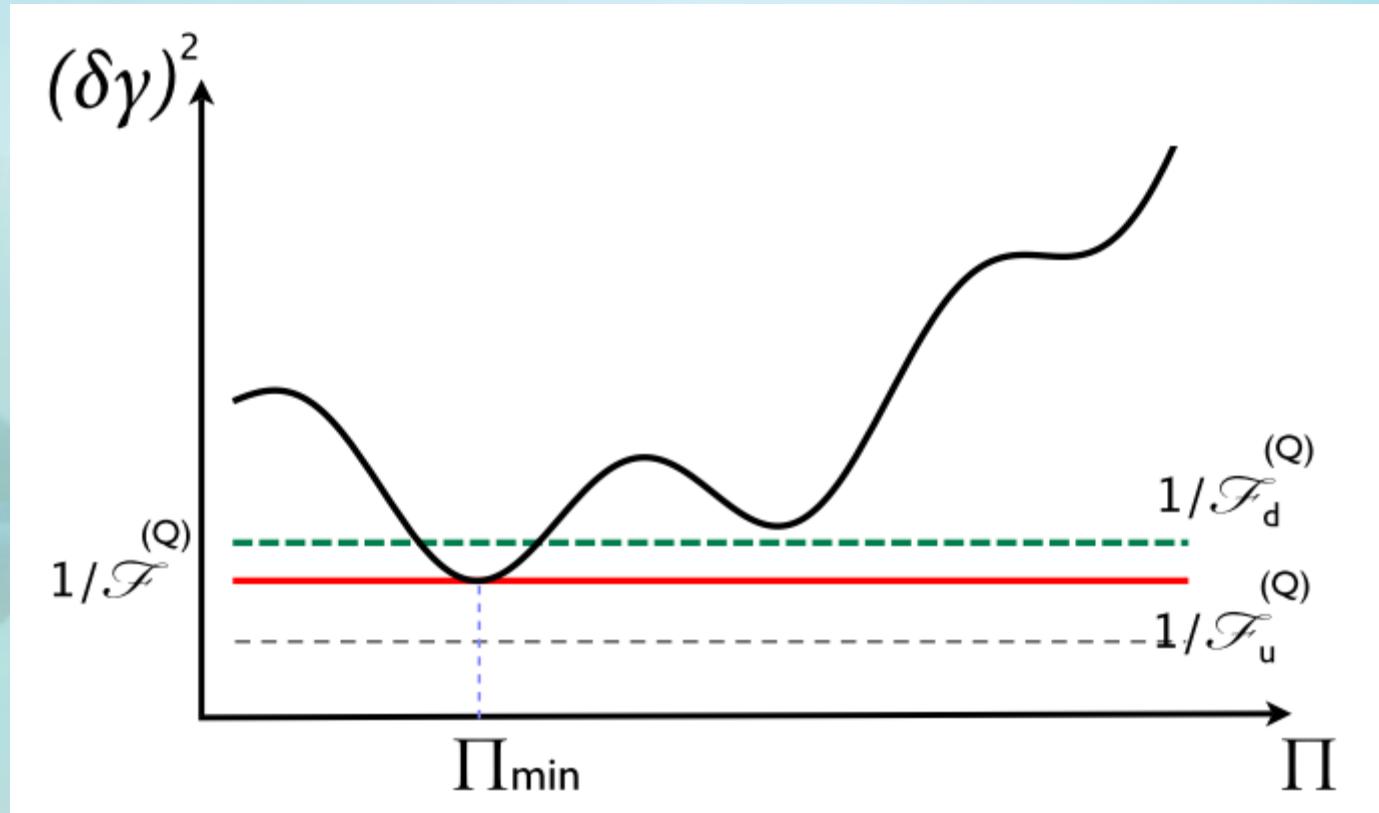
$$L_{\tilde{\varrho}} = L_{\varrho} \otimes I + I \otimes L_{\varrho}^T - \partial_x \ln \text{Tr}[\varrho^2]$$

$$\tilde{\mathcal{F}}^{(Q)} = \frac{2}{\text{Tr}[\varrho^2]} \left(\text{Tr}[\varrho L_{\varrho} \varrho L_{\varrho}] + \text{Tr}[\varrho^2 L_{\varrho}^2] - 2 \frac{(\text{Tr}[\varrho^2 L_{\varrho}])^2}{\text{Tr}[\varrho^2]} \right)$$

a LOWER bound on the QFI

$$\frac{\text{Tr}[\varrho^2]}{4\lambda_{\max}(\varrho)} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}^{(Q)} \leq \mathcal{F}^{(Q)} \leq \frac{\text{Tr}[\varrho^2]}{4\lambda_{\min}(\varrho)} \tilde{\mathcal{F}}^{(Q)} + F(\varrho)$$

LOWER bound vs. UPPER bound



non-Hermitian SLD (dynamical bound)

motivation:

time derivative of ϱ $\partial_T \varrho = -i[x_0 H, \varrho] + \sum_i x_i \Gamma_i \varrho \Gamma_i^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \{\Gamma_i^\dagger \Gamma_i, \varrho\}$

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non-Hermitian

$$\partial_T \varrho = D_\varrho \varrho + \varrho D_\varrho^\dagger$$

where

$$D_\varrho := -ix_0 H - \frac{1}{2} \sum_i x_i (\Gamma_i^\dagger \Gamma_i - \Gamma_i \varrho \Gamma_i^\dagger \varrho^{-1})$$

generalization:

nSLD $\partial_x \varrho = (L_\varrho \varrho + \varrho L_\varrho^\dagger)/2 \rightarrow \mathcal{F}^{(Q)}(x) \leq \text{Tr}[L_\varrho \varrho L_\varrho^\dagger] =: \mathcal{F}_{u1}^{(Q)}(x)$

N.B. non-Hermitian right logarithmic derivative operators have already been used in the literature [Fujiwara and Imai, JPA (2008)]

a general Lindblad equation

$$\partial_T \varrho = -i[x_0 H, \varrho] + \sum_i x_i (\Gamma_i \varrho \Gamma_i^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \{\Gamma_i^\dagger \Gamma_i, \varrho\})$$

estimation of x_0

$$\partial_{x_0} \varrho = -i\tau [H - \langle H \rangle_\varrho, \varrho] \rightarrow L_0 = -2i\tau (H - \langle H \rangle_\varrho)$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{u1,x_0}^{(Q)} = 4\tau^2 \Delta_\varrho^2 H$$

estimation of x_i

$$\partial_{x_i} \varrho = \tau (\Gamma_i \varrho \Gamma_i^\dagger - \frac{1}{2} \{\Gamma_i^\dagger \Gamma_i, \varrho\}) \rightarrow L_i = \tau (\Gamma_i \varrho \Gamma_i^\dagger \varrho^{-1} - \Gamma_i^\dagger \Gamma_i)$$

$$\mathcal{F}_{u1,x_i}^{(Q)} = \tau^2 \left(\langle (\Gamma_i^\dagger \Gamma_i)^2 \rangle_\varrho - 2 \langle \Gamma_i^{\dagger^2} \Gamma_i^2 \rangle_\varrho + \text{Tr}[\varrho^{-1} (\Gamma_i \varrho \Gamma_i^\dagger)^2] \right)$$

dephasing quantum channel:

$$\partial_T \varrho = -i x_0 [H, \varrho] + x_1 (\sigma_z \varrho \sigma_z - \varrho)$$

entangled initial state: $(|0\rangle^{\otimes N} + |1\rangle^{\otimes N})/\sqrt{2}$

$$\mathcal{F}_{u1}^{(Q)} = N^2 \tau^2 / (e^{2N\tau x} - 1)$$

$$\mathcal{F}^{(Q)} = N^2 \tau^2 / e^{2N\tau x}$$

kinematic bound

convex decomposition: $\varrho = \sum_i p_i \varrho_i$

$$\partial_x(p_i \varrho_i) = (1/2)[\mathcal{L}_i p_i \varrho_i + p_i \varrho_i \mathcal{L}_i]$$

kinematic bound on the QFI:

[Demkowicz-Dobrzanski et al.,
Nature Communications (2012)] [Fujiwara,
PRA (2001)]

$$\mathcal{F}_{u2}^{(Q)} = \mathcal{F}^{(c)}(\{p_i\}) + \sum_i p_i \mathcal{F}_i^{(Q)}$$

classical FI of probability distribution:

$$\mathcal{F}^{(c)}(\{p_i\}) = \sum_i (\partial_x p_i)^2 / p_i$$

transition from classical to quantum:

$$\mathcal{F}_{u2}^{(Q)} = c_1(\alpha, q, \tau)N + c_2(\alpha, q, \tau)N^2$$

transition point: $N^* = \frac{c_1}{c_2}$

example:

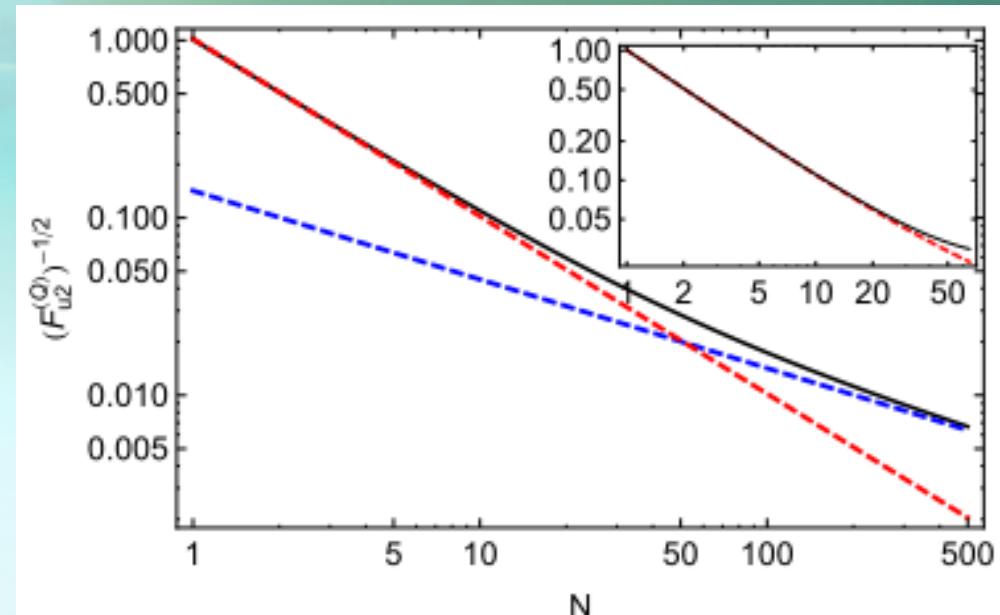
$$A_1 = (\sqrt{q} \cos[\alpha\omega] + i\sqrt{1-q} \sin[\alpha\omega] \sigma_z) e^{i\omega\tau\sigma_z/2}$$

$$A_2 = (i\sqrt{q} \sin[\alpha\omega] + \sqrt{1-q} \cos[\alpha\omega] \sigma_z) e^{i\omega\tau\sigma_z/2}$$

$$\varrho(0) = |\text{GHZ}_N\rangle\langle\text{GHZ}_N|$$

QFI of each state:

$$\mathcal{F}_i^{(Q)} = \text{Tr}[\varrho_i L_i^2]$$



kinematic upper bound + nSLD : purification with ancilla

Kraus representation

$$\varrho_\tau(x) = \sum_i A_i(x, \tau) \varrho_0 A_i^\dagger(x, \tau)$$

a natural decomposition:



$$p_i = \text{Tr}[A_i \varrho_0 A_i^\dagger]$$

$$\varrho_i = A_i \varrho_0 A_i^\dagger / \text{Tr}[A_i \varrho_0 A_i^\dagger]$$

using nSLD:

$$\partial_x(p_i \varrho_i) = (\mathsf{L}_i p_i \varrho_i + p_i \varrho_i \mathsf{L}_i^\dagger)/2$$

$$\mathsf{L}_i A_i = 2\partial_x A_i + i\alpha A_i$$

applying on the kinematic bound

$$\mathcal{F}_{u2}^{(Q)} = \sum_i 4(\langle \partial_x A_i^\dagger \partial_x A_i \rangle_{\varrho_0} - i\alpha \langle A_i^\dagger \partial_x A_i \rangle_{\varrho_0}) + \alpha^2$$

optimization:

$$\mathcal{F}_{u2}^{(Q)}(x) = 4 \left(\langle \mathsf{H}_1 \rangle_{\varrho_0} - \langle \mathsf{H}_2 \rangle_{\varrho_0}^2 \right)$$

where:

$$\mathsf{H}_1 = \sum_i \partial_x A_i^\dagger \partial_x A_i$$

$$\mathsf{H}_2 = i \sum_i A_i^\dagger \partial_x A_i$$

A scenic landscape featuring a calm lake in the foreground, its surface perfectly reflecting the surrounding environment. On either side of the lake are dense forests of coniferous trees. In the background, there are several layers of mountains, their peaks obscured by a thick, misty fog. The overall atmosphere is serene and slightly mysterious.

Thanks